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To: Christmas Bird Counters and Cooperators

The 1995 Port St. Joe Christmas Bird Count

We found 129 species on the December 29 CBC, above average and a big improvement over last year's 119 when we were hampered by bad weather. Many thanks to all who made it such a success. Next year's count is scheduled for Friday, December 27.

A new species was added to the count this year in a resounding way. Three parties each found one Ovenbird: Ron Christen and Michele Belson, Bob Henderson and Donna Wells, and Bill Boyle and Karen Thompson.

Three species missed last year were also reported this year by three parties: Spotted Sandpiper, Common Snipe, and Cedar Waxwing. Rarities reported include Surf Scoter and Prairie Warbler, both found by the ladies from Mississippi with part time help from Thom Lewis. They also added Whip-poor-will and Red-breasted Nuthatch which are usually missed, and reported the only Cooper's Hawk. Ron and Michele found Lesser Yellowlegs and Black Skimmer, both been missed last year, and reported the only Gadwall and Black Skimmers. Bob and Donna added the rarely reported Hairy Woodpecker and the only Tufted Titmouse and House Finch. Bill and Karen added the White-crowned Sparrow, which they usually are able to find, but not last year, and also four other species not found by others. The Stedmans found a rare American Pipit, one each of Snow and "Blue" Geese, the only Orange-crowned Warbler, and also American Bittern and Sora--hard to locate species. Only Area 3 failed to contribute any unique species: A Red-bellied woodpecker emerged from the cavity that used to belong to the Red-cockaded Woodpecker, and I just couldn't find any Quail on the hunt lands where they are usually found.

A tabulation of the results is inclosed. If you notice any errors or omissions please let me know right away at 800/707-4382 or Fax 904/531-9077. I hope to see you again next year.

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American Pipit		1					1		
Cedar Waxwing	25	22				25	72		
L Shrike					1	1	2		5
Eu Starling	13		2		11	259	285	6	270
W-e Vireo						1	1	1	2
Solitary Vireo		1	1	2	1	2	7		5
O-cr Warbler		1					1	1	3
Y-r Warbler	63	155	130	125	179	613	1265	123	660
Y-thr Warbler		cw		2		1	3		1
Pine Warbler	7	22	6	5	10	2	52	8	26
Prairie Warbler	1						1		
Palm Warbler		2	3	6	4	5	20	1	2
Ovenbird				1	1	1	3		
C Yellowthroat		16	8	3	11	10	48	15	28
N Cardinal	41	22	5	9	20	7	104	18	53
R-s Towhee	9	27	24	15	11	12	98	22	60
Chip Sparrow	3	15		4	36		58	41	68
Field Sparrow					1	2	3		1
Vesper Sparrow		4				4	8	2	44
Sav Sparrow		8					8	5	10
Sharp-t Sparrow		3	4	6			13	1	3
Seaside Sparrow				2			2	10	10
Song Sparrow		5	1		63	35	104	2	24
Swamp Sparrow	2	7	22	2	5		38	23	37
Wh-thr Sparrow		1				4	5	5	34
White-cr Sparrow						4	4		
R-w Blackbird	1	60	10	70	1	52	194	47	340
E Meadowlark		10		8	23	34	75	18	85
Boat-t Grackle									2
C Grackle				2		9	11		150
B-h Cowbird			8	30			38	40	40
House Finch					1		1		
Am Goldfinch		12	1		19	17	49		28
House Sparrow					10	1	11		11
TOTAL ENTRIES	60	96	83	82	60	84	133	95	123
TOTAL SPECIES	60	93	83	81	60	84	129	93	119
INDIVIDUALS	719	2171	3015	2142	1404	4675	14126	2024	9628

Area	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1994</u> <u>TOTAL</u>
miles by foot	1.5	10	6	2	6	4	29.5	8
miles by car	30	17	20	51	47	55	220	73
TOTAL MILES	31.5	27	26	53	53	59	249.5	81
hours by foot	4.5	13	8	2.5	7	5	40	7
hours by car	3	1	2	5	2	5	18	7.5
TOTAL HOURS	7.5	14	10	7.5	9	10	58	14.5
miles owling		10		4	0.5		14.5	10
hours owling		0.75		0.75	0.75		2.25	1.25
observers	1		4					3.75

1 Mary Hollis 4 Ron Christen
 Pat Ezell Michele Belson
 Mildrid Stennis
 1&2 Thom Lewis
 2 S J Stedman 5 Bob Henderson
 Barb Stedman Donna Wells
 3 Rick West 6 Bill Boyle
 Joan West Karen Thompson
 Alice Knowles

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Spotted Sandpiper			1	1		2	4		
Ruddy Turnstone	8	57	53	4		16	138	6	36
Red Knot		14	58				72	5	5
Sanderling	7	12	25	13		8	65	10	36
Western Sandp	7	5	46	10			68	2	30
Least Sandpiper		1	7			1	9	10	12
Dunlin	9	140	470	82		288	989	30	440
S-bil Dowitcher	14	8	150	13	3	160	348	13	260
Common Snipe		1	1		1		3		
Am Woodcock		1		1	1		3	1	6
Laughing Gull	23	120	395	160		145	843	220	370
Bonaparte's Gull	42	230	4	11		6	293	10	20
Ring-bil Gull	78	6	114	62	8	114	382	40	260
Herring Gull	4	12	7	2		9	34	30	77
Caspian Tern				1		12	13	1	7
Royal Tern	1	45	94	45		15	200	23	30
Forster's Tern	8	70	109	8		44	239	172	210
Black Skimmer				44			44		
Rock Dove						32	32		32
Eu Collared-Dove				31		27	58		25
White-w Dove						3	3		11
Mourning Dove	1		34	2	30	12	79		63
C Ground-Dove				11	2	4	17	6	31
E Screech-Owl		3	3	7	1		14	3	7
G Horned Owl	1	2		1			4	1	1
Barred Owl		1		3			4		
Whip-poor-will	1						1		
B Kingfisher	2	7	3	2	4	2	20	6	31
R-h Woodpecker									
R-b Woodpecker	6	9	7	7	6	4	39	6	29
Y-b Sapsucker		2	1				3		5
Downy Woodpkr		1	5	2		1	9		3
Hairy Woodpecker					1		1		
N Flicker	2	2	1		3	6	14	3	7
Pileated Woodp			2	1	3	1	7		1
E Phoebe	1	4	9	4	13	10	41	5	23
Tree Swallow								175	800
Blue Jay	7	8	2	3	7	13	40	7	55
Am Crow		2	2	3	8	3	18		53
Fish Crow		14	3	8	20	385	430	31	900
C Chickadee		6	1		4	2	13	13	28
T Titmouse					1		1		1
Red-br Nuthatch	2						2		
B-h Nuthatch	19	2	5	3	2		31	5	19
Carolina Wren		14	5	4	2	3	28	15	52
House Wren	2	4	5	6	12	7	36	10	23
Sedge Wren		2	3	1	1		7	8	9
Marsh Wren	1	4	3	5			13	7	12
R-c Kinglet	6	29	6	7	10	18	76	3	18
B-g Gnatcatcher								1	6
E Bluebird		11	2	7		7	27	1	10
Hermit Thrush		9	10	1	3	2	25	1	3
Am Robin	61	200	500	801	717	1332	3611	110	1270
G Catbird	2	13	8	13	18	5	59	10	44
N Mockingbird	19	18	23	18	24	36	138	13	61
Br Thrasher	1	1	2	12	1	2	19	1	7

Port St. Joe CBC, December 28, 1995

Part of
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Area	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	1994 2	1994 TOTAL
Common Loon	5	8		3		37	53	12	89
Pied-b Grebe	3	12	1				16	47	51
Horned Grebe	6	12				3	21	3	10
No Gannet	8	15					23	40	67
Am White Pelican									25
Brown Pelican	18	33	125	70	2	53	301	42	200
D-c Cormorant	14	8	26	15	5	331	399	123	470
American Bittern		2					2		
G Blue Heron	4	14	5	16	2	19	60	8	53
Great Egret	1	10	8	17	6	5	47	14	80
Snowy Egret		1	4	4		5	14	2	56
L Blue Heron	1	2	2	6	1	2	14		12
Tricolored Heron		10	3				13	2	19
Reddish Egret		2	4				6	4	12
Green Heron									1
B-c Night-Heron						14	14	2	16
Snow Goose (wh morph)		1					1		
(blue morph)		1					1		
Gadwall			2				2		
Redhead								1	1
Lesser Scaup			42			100	142	15	23
(scaup species)		250					250		70
Black Scoter									26
Surf Scoter	1						1	8	8
Com Goldeneye	4		10				14	5	7
Bufflehead	56	33	4				93	26	50
Hooded Merg		7		9		1	17	16	25
R-b Merganser	19	65	8	230	4	61	387	106	200
T Vulture	1	5	16	6	13	17	58		5
Osprey		1		1			2	1	1
Bald Eagle, ad		1	1	1			3	2	6
immature				1			1	1	1
unspecified						4	4		
N Harrier			1	2		2	5	1	3
Sharp-s Hawk	1					1	2		1
Cooper's Hawk	1	cw					1	2	2
Accipiter sp.								1	1
Red-sh Hawk	1	4	2	2	1		10	2	10
Red-tailed Hawk	1	1	2	2	2	6	14		6
Am Kestrel		2	1	1	1	13	18	3	25
Clapper Rail		2	2			1	5	5	9
Sora		1					1		
American Coot			11			1	12	8	10
Black-b Plover	1	8	86	7	16	8	126	28	61
Snowy Plover		1	3				4	5	11
Semipalm Plover	15	5	36	12		7	75	38	59
Piping Plover		1	3				4	16	16
Killdeer	1	25	20	4	17	29	96	8	59
Am Oystercatcher				3			3		6
Gr Yellowlegs		4	5	10			19	4	9
Lesser Yellowlegs				2			2		
yellowlegs sp									2
Willet	57	140	178	6	20	117	518	20	310